

Back then,
I thought I didn't
need any friends.

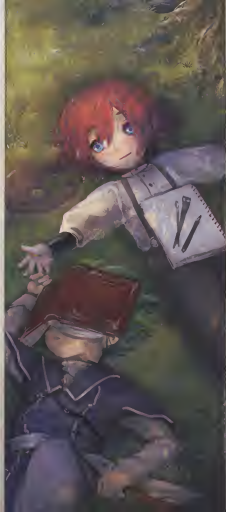
DAY18.Find My Way



But the truth was that I was
just bad at talking, lacked
self-confidence, disliked being
frowned upon by others, and
was basically a typical
coward...







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DAY18

Find My Way

He was different from me. Lively, intelligent, good at talking, capable of doing anything, and cool..

I really admired Astra-kun.

...I'm pretty envious of your drawing skills, Ky-kun.

I was happy being able to be friends with a guy like you.

You can become anything you want if you train your body, but what you've got is pretty fantastic.

Nah. Your drawing is a splendid talent.

Actually, I think I want to become exactly like Astra-kun!

Th-that's... it's the only skill I have.

I guess it's because I don't really have a skill like that, huh..?

Even after we grow up, I want us to stay friends.

That said, Ky-kun.

Haha... Only if you're pleased with my drawings.

I'm sure it would make for a stylish and compact space!

Once I get older and buy a house, I'd like to decorate it with Ky-kun's drawings...

We'll...
always be
friends.

...Yeah.

Astra-kun,
here...

It's amazing!!
Ky-kun's
drawing... it's
like an artist's!

This is... the
landscape we
can see from
here!! Did
you draw
this?/

It seemed like
you enjoy
reading
books, so...
I tried making
you a
bookmark.

Ye-yeah
...

Since I was a
really simple
guy, I ended up
considering
becoming an
artist from those
very words of
yours.

Thanks!!
I'll
treasure
it for
life!

*I'm forced to stay home everyday to care for my mother, who has been sick for over 10-years
if you love my relatives, please consider donating at KissCake.com to support our livelihood.
All proceeds go towards offsetting her medical fees. Thank you very much for reading!*

I lost
confidence
in myself.

I participated in a
ton of contests, but
I barely made any
prize money.

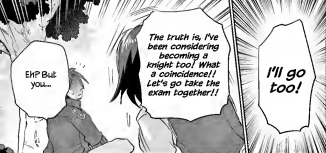
But, reality
doesn't go
that smoothly.



...Eh?

And one
day...





Eh? But you...

The truth is, I've been considering becoming a knight too! What a coincidence!! Let's go take the exam together!!

I'll go too!



IT'S... FINE ALREADY.

THAT WAS...

Are you sure? When you said you were going to become an artist...



...Is that so... That's most unfortunate -

However, if we could both become knights, then it'd be nice since we wouldn't be lonely, right?

...DRAWING ... IS JUST A HOBBY OF MINE, SO...

In reality, I did want to become an artist.

...Yeah.

...Ky!!
Hurry!
Over here!

And being
afraid of
losing him
above all
else, I took
up the sword
which was
unfamiliar to
me.

But, I knew
more than
anyone else
that I lacked
talent.

Heyyy, here
it is! Isn't it
amazing?

WH-WHAT IS IT,
ASTRAY?
PULLING ME SO
HARD—



Looking
at that
landscape,
I sensed
something
thinking that
I wanted to
draw again

...Yeah...

So the
Imperial
Capital had
places like
these too...

Doesn't it
look like
the plaza
we used
to play in?
It's pretty
nostalgic!



However, the drawings I
made after so long were
not a pretty sight.



I sold
all of my
drawings
and art
supplies.



Astra-kun,
congratulations on
being
promoted
to Captain
of the 1st
Company!

Yet,

Yet even after that, I was
content as long as I could
be friends with you. I
thought it was fine as
long as I could stay beside
you as your best friend.



your
gradually
separated
from me.

No matter how much I tried to catch up to you, you were always one step ahead of me.

You gradually rose up the ranks, made subordinates, were recognized by your superiors, and went further away from me.

If I were to lose you... how could I go on...?!

Even though you said we'd be friends forever, why are you casting me aside...?

Stop it, Astra... If you were to disappear from my life as well, I won't have anything left...

I can't even call myself your best friend...

No matter how much I try, I can't match you...

It's painful...

This hurts...

I...!!

I hate you!

It pisses me off...

Ah... That's right.



Who I hated
wasn't you.



I couldn't catch
up to you, so I
could only hate
myself.





WHY...!?

WHY

WHY



Can you stand?



ME...
THE SOUL
OF THE
EARTH...
LIKE
ME...

ME...
A GUY
LIKE
ME...

WHY
ARE YOU
CARING
FOR
ME...?



It was painful
not knowing
your feelings
anymore...!

I certainly
was... worried,
about your
behaviour over
these ten
years.



Ky... Stop
degrading
yourself
so much!



**Even
so!!**

**But
even
so...!**



no
matter
what
happened
...



I've
always...
up until
now...



have
always
considered
you my
best
friend!!!



TRA...



AS...



...Won't
you... draw
for me
again?

I want to
decorate...
my house
with them.



Only if
you're
pleased
with my
drawings.





TL Note: In the panel above, they literally say "We've already reached the first step." I wanted to write "first boss," but that wouldn't make any sense.



...I remembered them. My true feelings.

Don't just say what you're thinking aloud!!

HE SAID, ARE YOU ABOUT TO MOP?

DO YOU HIT YOUR HEAD?

CAPTAIN CIVIL, DO YOU GET SOMETHING STRANGER?

...Hm. I don't really get what's going on, but...

Thanks to my best friend... you see.

Rather, there's one thing we need to have.

In that case, I won't pry any further.

I guess you settled things peacefully, huh?

A party !!



They're totally prepared!!

YEAH!!

Let's work already~

Predicting this might happen, I got my subordinates to bring a BBQ set in advance!



It's apple juice...

...Oh, Chibi. Have this.

Gramps... turned out to be quite the remarkable man...

Commander, please don't pull on me...

Well then, well then! Retra-kun! You can just smack your lips at my fried meat and you'll no longer want to leave the imperial Capital!



So you are...

Are you angry?

Um... Sorry about earlier...



You called me Chibi again! It's Noah...!

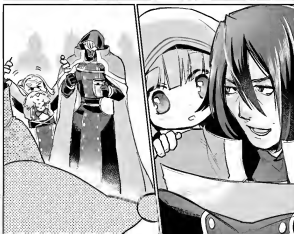
Sorry. What's your name, Chibi?

I'm angry! At everyone! And I'm not a chibi!





35. Now Chibihauke is basically an offensive way of calling somebody a chibi.







Yeah, the homesickness is getting to me now, so I want to quickly head home, even if for a moment.

So you really are going home!!

Astra-kuuuuun!!

No-not at all.

And you too, Rose—You've been of much help to me.

Sure, guys. These two days have been fun.

Astra-sama!! Please come again—I You absolutely must—I!

Next time, you come to my house.

Ky.





Buntline!
...Heeeeey?



Buntline!
We just got
home. Sorry
for being
late.



What's
wrong,
Buntline?!

A-A-A
stra-
saaan!



TH-THE
TRUTH IS...

Bad news!?! It
can't be... Did
something
happen to the
house!?!

Ba-
bad
news!



Gor-
Gor!!



...HE
DISAPPEARED
...!



Er,
ehhhhh,
he's
here...!?

Gor

Even if he does
escape, he'll
probably come
back if you leave
 tasty food out,
so don't worry
about it.

*Ahh!! That's a
relief, that's a
relief!! I was
wondering if I
accidentally
set him loose
from my own
dumbliness...!*

Wah Gor

Sorry about
that... He
followed us
of his own
accord...



There
hasn't
been
anything
else out
of the
ordinary?

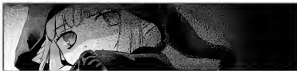
Hahaha...
I apologize.

Although, you being
flustered that
much made me
think something
even bigger
happened.

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*Nothing
at all!*

...Yeah!



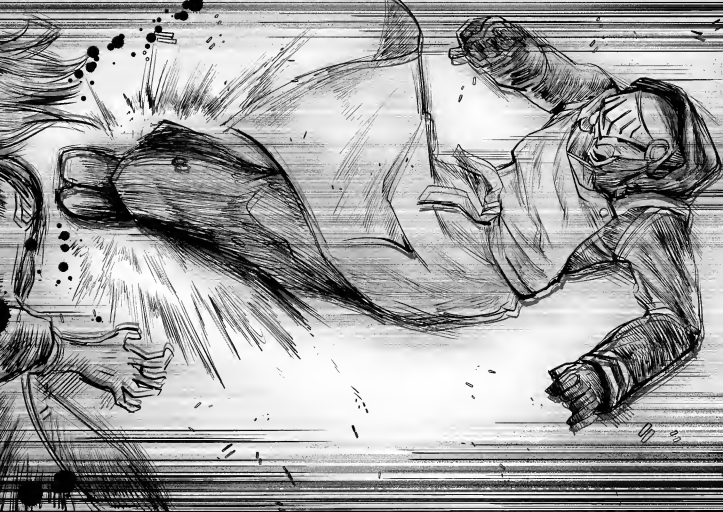
The Next Morning













...After we came home from the town, we ended up getting another annoying guest in our house, but...



I thought - I had the feeling Astra-sama looked the slightest bit happier than before.



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Holy Justitian Chivalric Order Uniform Design

■ Troops



■ Captain & Vice-Captain



■ Commander & Vice-Commander



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V3 DAY 18

TL: NITORI
PA: METERION
CL: ZEPHER
TS: TEEKAY

CAKE
NORI

WELCOME TO THE GROUP
WE ARE ALWAYS
RECRUITING MEMBERS
FOR OUR GROUP IF YOU
WANT FASTER RELEASES
CONSIDER JOINING US
APPLY AT FORKCAKE 100%

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